Musical in two acts
New production of Théâtre Musical de Paris Châtelet
Music and texts Stephen Sondheim
Staging Lee Blakeley
Libretto James Lepine

FILMED AT Théâtre Musical de Paris Châtelet
IN April 2013
TV DIRECTOR Denis Caïozzi
RUNNING TIME 1 x 135’
Sunday in the Park with George

ARTISTIC INFORMATION

SYNOPSIS

After A Little Night Music in 2010 and Sweeney Todd in 2011, Châtelet presents another masterpiece from Stephen Sondheim. The pointillist painting by Georges Seurat, A Sunday Afternoon on the Island of La Grande Jatte, painted between 1884 and 1886, is the starting point of this passionate reflection on the artist’s work.

Stephen Sondheim and his librettist have imagined the exhausting work of Seurat painting this huge table with this breath-taking technique, to the point of neglecting Dot (Point), his mistress, who is expecting a child. Act 2 continues the theme of the arduous nature of the artist’s lot by bringing forward the action to New York in 1984, where George, Seurat’s great-grandson, is struggling against the odds. Awarded the Pulitzer Prize for Drama in 1985, the work is powerful and poetic. The refinement of the great songs, like Putting It Together or Sunday, has contributed significantly to the reputation of this very moving work.

PERFORMERS

Julian Ovenden.........................................................Georges /George
Sophie-Louise Dann................................................Dot/Marie
Nicholas le Prevost ..................................................Jules /Greenberg
Rebecca de Pont Davies.............................................Old Lady /Elaine

ARTISTIC STAFF

Music and Lyrics Stephen Sondheim
Book by James Lepine | Philharmonic Orchestra of Radio France
conducted by David Charles Abell | Chorus of Theatre du Châtelet | Stage direction Lee Blakeley
Set design William Dudley | Costumes Adrian Linford
Lighting Rick Fisher | Choreography Lorena Randi

LANGUAGE VO English | LANGUAGES / ST French

PRODUCTION

PRODUCTION COMPANIES Telmondis, Théâtre Musical de Paris Châtelet, in association with France Télévisions and the support of CNC
ASSOCIATE PRODUCERS Antoine Perset – Denis Morlière

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VIDEO FORMAT HDCAM, Digibeta, stereo sound and dolby 5.1

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